

ONE MARVEL AFTER ANOTHER IS TOSSED OFF THE WHITE HOUSE BAT

(BY H. D. S.)

A Memorial For Houston

A FEW days since, on March 2, occurred the anniversary of the birth of Sam Houston, Texas patriot, which is also the anniversary of the declaration of Texas independence, signed on Houston's 43d birthday, April 21, next, will be the anniversary of the battle of San Jacinto, at which Gen. Houston commanded the Texas army, and which was really the deciding factor in winning independence for Texas.

These dates are recalled in connection with a proposal from the city of Houston to erect in the city which bears the patriot's name, and in close proximity to the battlefield of San Jacinto, a memorial to Gen. Houston, to the land for the erection of which all Texans will be offered opportunity to contribute.

Every Texas schoolboy is more or less familiar with the career of Sam Houston; how, born in Virginia in 1793, he moved with his widowed mother to Tennessee in 1806; lived for a time among the Indians; clerked in a country store; taught in a country school; was for five years a lieutenant in the United States army; later became a lawyer, prosecuting attorney and adjutant general of Tennessee; went to congress from Tennessee and became governor of the state; came to Texas in 1827; was a member of the convention which adopted in 1836 the declaration of Texas independence on his motion; commanded the Texas army in the battle of San Jacinto; was twice president of the republic of Texas, 12 years United States senator from Texas and was elected governor in 1859 and died at Huntsville, Texas, in 1863.

A stout, brave, liberty loving, loyal Texan and sound American was Sam Houston, whose memory deserves every honor the people of the state can bestow. Therefore let the memorial be erected. The sight of it, to those who live in Houston or who visit there, will be a continual reminder of his deeds.

No militiaman can consider his border training complete unless he has equipped himself to take back to the home folks the border joke about the privates' pay: three and a half a day—three meals and half a dollar.

As for going home, no militia organization considers its homeward movement started beyond the probability of cancellation until the train has reached Missouri.

Though 15 United States senators were retired by expiration of the congressional session last Sunday, the country could have spared a dozen or so more.

With hogs at 15 cents a pound, the average consumer will be able to afford nothing but the squeal, and he can furnish that himself.

The patience El Paso has displayed in respect to the Mexican situation was cultivated by waiting for freight trains to pass.

To charge a nearly bald man 50 cents for a hair cut as they do in this town is worse than an act of barbarism.

With this Zimmermann disclosure ranking, Germany has her own "leak" investigation under way.

If the United States is forced into war with Germany, we shall have to forget that "peace without victory" idea.

We may as well consider the Revolutionary war over, now that British people have celebrated Washington's birthday.

One of the indoor sports in Europe is writing about great disasters in enemy countries.

The new munition millionaires are the real soldiers for fortune.

Let's write Salazar a note, holding him to strict accountability.

Roundabout Town

Active Progress On Fort Worth-El Paso Highway Austin Street Viaduct In Use; Auto Trip To Dam

(BY G. A. MARTIN.)

ACTIVE progress is being made all along the line of the Fort Worth-El Paso highway, according to information received from several sources this week by Judge Adrian Pool, El Paso county's good roads booster and chairman of the good roads committee of the chamber of commerce.

An article by Judge E. M. Overhiser in the Abilene papers last week clearly set forth the advantages to Taylor county of completing two cardinal roads across the county—one north and south, the other east and west. The last mentioned road would be Taylor's link in the Fort Worth-El Paso highway. To do this work it will be necessary to issue \$100,000 worth of bonds. It is thought that the people will favor this move.

The highway engineer last week completed his work in estimating the cost of the proposed highway improvement in Howard county. The work in Palo Pinto, Stephens and Eastland counties are all waiting for an enactment in the respective counties.

Judge E. A. Peña, president of the association, is spending this week in

Austin looking after the interests of the State highway commission bill. This has recently been in a tangle, but it is hoped to get it straightened out within a few days, according to a letter from W. B. Starr, secretary of the Fort Worth-El Paso highway association.

The Austin street viaduct has been reopened, after having been closed for several months while a concrete floor was being put down. The city has approached to both ends of the viaduct paved while the railroads were putting down the floor and now no task to cross the viaduct in traveling from north to south or vice versa. At the south end of the viaduct, where it turns, mayor Lea has had the iron railing reinforced to prevent accidents in event that automobilists should lose control of their cars. He has also placed on the viaduct warning devices of the curve and its danger. The pavement on the south end and concrete on the north end, which was laid as far as Wyoming street and mayor Lea is now arranging to have the paving put down as far as Boulevard, which will connect up the viaduct on both ends with a well paved street. The railroads are now putting down paving between the tracks on Dallas street. As soon as this work is done, another cross street will be opened. If that is done, people can ever get over it for the slings of freight cars that are so often standing across it.

Miss Dulah Parker didn't bring a fishing tackle with her when she came to The Herald last summer, but she caught a big one. She has a big fish, a W. G. Salmon, of The Herald advertising department, is the lucky fellow.

Mrs. Chan, Deckeroff says if El Pasoans want something to set out that blooms freely and grows easily, "The Rose of Sharon" is a good plant to try. It blooms throughout the summer, has very pretty blossoms and an excellent perfume. James L. Marr has tried the one with success in Austin, Texas.

R. H. Bingham, is anxious over Elephant Butte dam and wants to set up a party for a big excursion over there in the near future, probably about a week from tomorrow. He has written E. V. Snow, the lessee of the hotel at the dam, to ascertain how many people can be cared for, and as soon as he learns this, will make arrangements for the run. He plans to have the party go up Saturday and back Sunday. There has been so many expressions from El Pasoans who desire to make the trip that he believes

HOGWALLOW LOCALS

(By GEORGE BINGHAM)



The prospect for a lot of flowers this spring is very bright as there is going to be considerable of them besides the many nice ones being painted by Miss H. O. Lettler Hocks.

A drove of wild geese was noticed going north this morning after spending the winter in the far south. They looked much benefited.

Poke Enzley has sent for him a catalog containing the pictures of a lot of chairs, as they are so restful to the eyes.

The Sombre View

MOST husbandmen take gloomy views of everything on earth; they bring to town the saddest news, and seldom deal in mirth. I meet them on the public square, on every market day; they fill my bosom with despair, such doleful things they say. "The wheat is killed, all hope we've lost, of having crops this year; the apple buds were nipped by frost, and punk the prunes appear. There's weevil in the clover hay, the grass was killed by snow; the hens long since refused to lay, the roosters do not crow. The winter's been so beastly dry—and there seems drouth ahead—that everything outdoors must die, if not already dead. We sell no butter and no cheese, we have no stalfed bevers; our hogs are down with Bright's disease, our horses have the heaves." When I have heard the farmers talk for half an hour or more, despondently away I walk, my head and spirit afloat. The farmer wears a heavy frown and awaits the lack all day, yet every time he comes to town he tells some coin away.

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WHEN A FEELER NEEDS A FRIEND

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LETTERS TO THE HERALD

(All communications must bear the signature of the writer, but the name will be withheld if requested.)

WANTS A VIADUCT.

Editor El Paso Herald: The inhabitants, citizens of the hill portions of our city, west of Providence hospital to the canyon west of Mundy's addition, should have a foot viaduct at the center of Fisher street, from Upton avenue over West Missouri and West main streets and the union station tracks, and then down steps to the union station entrance.

This should be eight or ten feet wide, made of steel frame, floor and railings, with a turnstile at the Upton avenue end to keep vehicles off, except baby buggies, and it will be a direct entrance way for the "hill dwellers" to the union station, besides a pleasant place, during evenings of warm weather, for people to watch trains and for other people with notions of walking or strolling. A bond issue for all property holders of this hill residential section could finance it. Do you comprehend—not "stand under" (understand), but stand over, walk over the railroad tracks.

John E. Edgar.

have not ruthlessly destroyed the trees, it is said, but horses have broken down the fence and got inside and barked or broken off the trees until very few good ones are left.

Proud boasts: I haven't planted anything in my yard and I'm not going to.

After five weeks as mayor of Umatilla, Ore., Mrs. Laura Storch has been compelled to seek rest in southern California.

DEAR MR. KABBIBBLE, I MEY MY FIANCEE IN A PICTURE SHOW WITH AN OLD SCHOOL PAL OF MINE. WHEN I APPROACHED THEM, THEY FLED AND I GAVE CHASE—THEY ESCAPED ME! WHAT SHALL I DO?

SEND THE STORY TO A MOVIE DIRECTOR—IT WILL MAKE A GOOD SCENARIO.

THE SOLDIERS CAMPED IN THE CITY PROPERTY NEAR THE WATERWORKS PLANT AND IN THAT VICINITY HAVE DONE SO MUCH DAMAGE TO THE YOUNG TREES PUT OUT ON THE PROPERTY THIS YEAR THAT THE BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS HAS DECIDED TO DEFER THE PLANTING OF TREES UNTIL NEXT YEAR AND THOSE TREES IN HIS MUNICIPAL NURSERY AT WASHINGTON PARK AFTER HE SETS OUT WHAT HE NEEDS IN THE CITY PARKS. WILL BE ALLOWED TO STAY THERE UNTIL 1918. THE SOLDIERS

El Paso's Most Exciting Football Game Recalled Bob Fitzsimmons and Other Pugilists On the Team

(By J. D. PENDER.)

NO other football team in the country has had so many pugilists on it as the team El Paso played against the Albuquerque Indians in 1896," said E. H. Neff. He referred to that historical game which ended in a riot.

The strong football team of Albuquerque challenged El Paso for a game in the winter of 1896, when the town was full of heavyweights, middleweights and lightweight pugilists, brought together by Dan Stuart, who had arranged a pugilistic carnival to be held in El Paso or Juarez, and the fighters were here training for the carnival. Billy Earl and Rosie Loomis, both now dead, decided to accept the challenge of the Indians and give them a surprise, so a football team composed of Rosie Loomis, Dr. H. E. Stevenson, Law Gasser, W. M. McCoy, now proprietor of Hotel McCoy, and then boxing partner of Bob Fitzsimmons; Red Gallagher, a prize fighter, Burns, of the Fitzsimmons camp, Dady, Pete Maher's trainer, Bob Fitzsimmons and other fighters.

E. H. Neff is referee.

E. H. Neff, fresh from the grailion field of an eastern cage, with his first fight in a cage, the team and be-

fore the Indians arrived, El Paso had a real football team. Law Gasser made a fine halfback and with a little coaching could have made the Harvard team. Neff was selected referee and while he felt a little nervous over what might happen, with his refereeing some of the athletes too hard, still he was game and eager for the fray.

Indians Suspected Nothing. If the Indians suspected anything about the team, they did not show it. They lined up against the team and the game was on. The Indians were on the ground and one of them with his hand over his bleeding mouth claimed he had been fouled and all of his front teeth knocked out. It was easy to see how it happened for on Law Gasser's forehead was a very distinct and bloody imprint of the Indian's missing teeth.

The young Indian conceived the idea that Gasser had intentionally sought that painful imprint on his forehead and walking over to the halfback, the thoughtless boy sent his fist against Gasser's head. The next instant Gasser

put him to sleep with a right swing under the jaw.

All Hands Mix Up. Immediately the other Indians went to the assistance of their comrade and in a minute the men on both sides were in a slacking match, with referee Neff in the center of the war zone. A cloud of dust enveloped the combatants and the crowd, who were of hard blows and grunts of honest effort.

When the dust again cleared away, the Indians had disappeared, except one whom Bob Fitzsimmons was carrying across the field under his left arm at the same time giving his burden a bunch of short arm jabs. The other Indians boys had not deserted the field. They were simply sitting down, resting.

Game a Draw. Eugene Neff says that if his memory serves him right the game was decided a draw. Fitzsimmons declared it was the best practice he ever had, for those Indian boys were tough youngsters and were game enough to acknowledge that one of their own men was responsible for starting the fireworks.

That was a great football team and with such men as Fitzsimmons, McCoy, Dady, Rosie Loomis and Red Gallagher backing the line, it would have taken giants to stop them from coming through.

Eugene Neff, in speaking of the game the other day, said the referee job was entirely too heavy for a man of his weight. But he was active on his feet and managed to divide the whirlwind of fists and feet.

Little Interviews

Southwestern Engineers Add 300 Members To List El Paso, Imperial City of Southwest, Says Cowman

THE Southwestern Society of Engineers which has convened here, looks for a most successful meeting," said Donald R. Gillies, mining engineer and operator of large Mexican mines. "A year ago we had only about 30 members in the organization but after announcement of the proposed meeting to be held here we received applications for membership from about 300 engineers in the southwest. Practically all of this number will be in attendance. The convention will become an annual affair of the society."

"The old days of the west seem to have been revived in the broncho busting exhibition and the roping contests that were given at Rio Grande park Tuesday and Wednesday afternoons," said D. L. Reid. "The work of the contestants thrilled thousands of people and while it was a simple matter for the cattlemen, who are used to roping and riding, it was a matter of wonder to the national guardmen and El Pasoans who had never seen it before."

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"El Paso is going to have a great building year this year," said Percy McChesney. "It is our business, you know, to watch out for the building business and we know of the plans being made and the orders placed for lumber. Right now the lumber yards of this city are rushed to fill the orders coming in and they are all getting in more lumber as fast as the lumber can be delivered. Inquiries from contractors indicate that they are now figuring on an immense volume of building."

and practical drawing are all taught at the art league. For the girl with artistic tendencies a tremendous field opens in the world of designs and interior decorating.

There are such specialized courses as landscape gardening, book binding and work in metals which may be taken up almost as avocations or fads and become in the end paying vocations.

Returning again to the tasks which will require less of special talent and more of organized training, there is the position of physical instructor which a girl may secure by taking a course in a good school of gymnastics, or that of the teacher of society or folk dancing.

Hair dressing and manicuring pay very well and offer perfectly good chances for girls whose personal dignity enables them to bring intelligence to these professions.

Trained nursing requires years of preparation, but there is the shorter course of children's nursing or in preparation for pre-natal care.

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Abe Martin



There's still a few fine old gentlemen, but they don't seem to be any in the makin'. The old time girl that kept an autograph album now has a daughter that has a dresser full o' scarf pins.

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Short Snatches From Everywhere

Germany evidently misses her American notes.—Newark News.

The Lyman M. Law is not the only law that has been torpedoes.—Philadelphia Record.

The one-man submersible should come under the head of an I-bat.—Philadelphia Patriot-Leader.

A policy of frightfulness necessarily presupposes that every one else will observe the rules.—Wall Street Journal.

Not a few eminent candidates for political office regard the international crisis as a personal insult.—New York Sun.

Incurable weakness of the voluntary system of enlistment is that the most patriotic citizens get shot first.—Wall Street Journal.

This thing of flooding congress with telegrams protesting against war is related by the best of telegraph companies.—Macon Telegraph.

In view of the strained relations between the United States and Germany it may be improper for us to advise the Kaiser, but if we were in his place we would can Zimmermann for a bone-head.—Houston Post.

The abuse of the initiative and recall are so notorious and so frequent that serious attention is being given to proposals for checking them. The fundamental trouble lies in the fact that a very small number of voters may plunge the people into an election on a matter which they do not wish to consider at all.—San Francisco Chronicle.

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